(c) what was the earlier cash compensatory support and what is the reduced support;

(d) what are the basis of reduction of cash compensatory support and whether this has been done on the basis of any recommendation;

(e) if so, what are the details thereof;

(f) whether it is also a fact that cash compensatory support fixed earlier was inadequate; and

(g) if so, what steps have been taken to investigate the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (g) Do not arise.

RBI licence for opening of a State Bank of Indore branch in Delhi

1907. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether RBI has issued a licence to the State Bank of Indore to open a branch in Dilshad Garden, Delhi; and

(b) if so, the progress made so far in the setting up of the branch?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Linguistic communities in Chhotanagpur and Santhal Parganas

1908. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of major linguistic communities as per their mother tongue in Chhotanagpur and Santhal Parganas as per the census figures of 1961, 1971 and 1981 respectively;

(b) what is the number of persons and the names of the communities indicating their second language for communicating with others in this area; and

(c) whether there has been a gradual decline of the people speaking tribal languages; if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) The data for 1961, 1971 and 1981 Censuses are being scrutinized and the required information, to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Export of Trimethoprim

1909. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a multinational drug company engaged in the production of Trimethoprim has exported the drug at a price of Rs. 120 per kg. FOB;

(b) whether it is also a fact that import contents itself is more than the FOB price and the raw material cost alone in the domestic production is Rs. 500/- per kg;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the export of the drug has been made to the principals of the company and their associates; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken to stop such type of exports and prevent heavy drain of resources of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) to (d). The unit-wise exports of each drug to each country or destination and the unit-wise value realisation are not separately maintained. However, Government is not aware of any such export of Trimethoprim

by a multinational company to its principals at a price of Rs. 120/- per kg. Fob. According to the information furnished by the Basic Chemicals, pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Exoprt Promotion Council, Bombay ,approximate Fob price of Trimethoprim is US $ 30 per kg. and the raw materials cost in domestic production is about US $ 20.22 per kg.

Confiscated arms lying with Punjab Government

1910. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of confiscated arms of different types lying with the Punjab Government as on date;

(b) what is the number of weapons of different types that have been confiscated by the Government of Punjab since 1984;

(c) what is the number of persons who have been allotted different types of confiscated weapons in Punjab since 1984 and the reasons for the allotment;

(d) what are the names of persons who made request for allotment of confiscated weapons and of those whose request have been rejected or pending since 1984 and the reasons therefor including social status of applicants;

(e) what are the prices of different types of weapons confiscated by the Punjab Government; and

(f) what is the policy of Government in respect of allotment of confiscated weapons of 'P' Bore and 'N.P.' Bore types?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Annexure enclosed. [See Appendix CLI, annexure No. 1134].

(c) to (f). Information about weapons allotted or cases pending for allotment or cases rejected and the reasons therefor, the assessed value of confiscated weapons, etc., should be available with the State Government as the matter lies within their jurisdicion. In so far as the policy in regard to allotment of confiscated prohibited/non-prohibited bore weapons to individuals is concerned it may be stated that the Central Government have not framed any guidelines on the subject.

Erosion of coastal area in the Sundarbans Gangetic Delta

1911. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that unabated coastal erosion is taking place particularly in the Sundarbans Gangetic delta; and

(b) if so, what efforts are being made to prevent this coastal erosion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The State Government has undertaken anti-sea erosion works like brick block and laterite stone pitching and construction of retired embankements in vulnerable reaches.

Import of duty free inputs for shipyards

1912. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any decision has been taken to allow import of duty free inputs to shipyards and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) and (b) Shipyards engaged in manufacturing ships going be-